

REMARKS

Claims 1, 2, 4, 6, 9, 14, 16, and 18-29 are currently pending, wherein claims 3, 10 and 15 have been canceled. Applicant respectfully requests entry of the above-identified amendment and favorable reconsideration in view of the remarks presented in the Amendment filed August 6, 2007.

CONCLUSION

The application is in condition for allowance. Notice of same is earnestly solicited. Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Robert Downs (Reg. No. 48,222) at the telephone number of the undersigned below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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